# Sean Christopher Ward

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# **ARTIST BIOGRAPHY**

Sean Christopher Ward is an interdisciplinary artist focusing his efforts of painting in the style of op art, focusing on the possibilities of flat design to create depth and kinetic movement through strict hard edges and the utilization of masterfully placed colors side by side or next to negative space to keep the works constantly moving within the optics of the viewer. Now extending past the singular flat plane, Sean is expanding to fully immersive projection mapping experiences, where the artwork surrounds you in 270-360 degrees! Overall, both painterly and digital immersive artworks, Sean utilizes a process to create artwork that is a mixture of traditional and digital techniques. With works in over 930 permanent and private collections spanning the world, including Canada, France, Germany, India, Italy, Morocco, Japan, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Singapore, the United Kingdom and the US Virgin Islands, the reach of the artwork is expanding as each year progresses! Notable works in private collections include Bob Dylan, Julie Floyd, Julien Hall, Elton John, Milan Kordestani, Aaron Lux, Inessa Anderson, The Center for Women's Wellness, The Pixies and Universal Studios Japan.

# RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Owner, Wichita, KS, August 2013-April 2020
Studio | School, Social Media Specialist & Gallery Curator, Wichita, KS, August 2019-April 2020
ChaShaMa ChaNorth Residency, Pine Plains, NY, May 2018
Mark Arts, Wichita, Kansas, May-December 2017, Exhibitions and Collections Subcommittee
Shiftspace Gallery, Wichita, KS, January 2014-May 2014, Student Assistant
Artist Central, Wichita, KS, December 2012-August 2013, Resident Artist
Vangoart.co, Beta Tester, February-July 2017

### **EDUCATION**

Wichita State University, Wichita, KS, May 2016, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design

# **CURRENT GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

Artfinder.com, London, UK & New York City, NY
Artling.com, Singapore and Hong Kong
Artsper.com, Paris, France
Opulent Art Gallery, 71- 75 Shelton Street, Convent Garden, London, UK
Saatchiart.com, Los Angeles, CA & New York City, NY
Singulart.com, Paris, France
Tricera.net, Tokyo, Japan

#### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

"Chromatic Hallucinations", The Flower Nook, Salina, Kansas, May 6-28, 2022

"Kaleidoscopic Oddysey", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, November 2020

"Chromatic Hallucinations", Coutts Museum of Art, El Dorado, KS, August-September 2020

"The Relationship Series", Peerless, Wichita, KS, December 2019

"The Wunder", Gallery MC, New York City, NY, November 2019

"Chromatic Hallucinations" HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Wichita, KS, October-November 2018

"Secret Show", HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Wichita, KS, January 2018

"Chimera Effect", HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Wichita, KS, January 27, 2017

Artist Central, Wichita, KS, July 2012, Solo Exhibition | January 2013

#### ART FAIRS AND BIENNIALS

"Superfine Art Fair", Fort Mason Arts Center, San Francisco, California, March 23-26, 2023

"Kinetic Art Biennial", Boynton Beach City Hall, Boynton Beach, Florida, January 28-29, 2023

"Superfine Art Fair", Fort Mason Arts Center, San Francisco, California, March 3-6, 2022

"JADA Art Fair - Art Basel", Miami, Florida, December 2-5, 2021

# ART FAIRS AND BIENNIALS, continued

- "Vernissage Paris Art Week", JADA Art Fair, 7 Rue Saint-Sabin, Paris, October 23-26, 2021
- "The Other Art Fair Dallas Edition", Dallas, Texas, October 21-24 2021
- "The Other Art Fair Dallas Edition", Dallas, Texas, May 2021, Virtual Edition
- "Superfine! SF", Superfine! Art Fair, San Francisco, CA, February-March 2019
- "Superfine! DC", Superfine! Art Fair, Washington, D.C., October-November 2019
- "Saatchi Art's The Other Art Fair: Dallas", Dallas Market Hall, Dallas, TX, September 2019
- "Saatchi Art's The Other Art Fair: Los Angeles", Barker Hanger, Santa Monica, CA, September 2019
- "Saatchi Art's The Other Art Fair: Chicago", Mana Contemporary, Chicago, IL, May 2019
- "Superfine! Los Angeles", Superfine! Hyper Curated Art Fair, Los Angeles, CA, February 2019
- "Art Basel Miami Beach", Superfine! Hyper Curated Art Fair, Miami Beach, FL, December 2018
- "Frieze New York City", Superfine! Hyper Curated Art Fair, New York, NY, May 2018
- "Holiday RAWk", Raw Artists @ Revolution, Ft Lauderdale, FL, December 2017
- "Art Basel Miami Wynwood", Superfine! Hyper Curated Art Fair, Miami, FL, December 2017

Ulrich Museum Satellite Exhibition of "Faculty Biennial", Wichita, KS, April 2015, Featured Live Artist

Friends of the Wichita Art Museum 55th Annual Art & Book Fair, May 2014

Friends of the Wichita Art Museum 54th Annual Art & Book Fair, Wichita, KS, May 2013

# **PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTALLATIONS**

- "Optical Fantasy", Twitch.tv, December 2020-Present, Audio & Visual Weekly Experience
- "Acid Trip", Sterillian, Wichita, KS, July 2023, private 8'x60' projection mapped branded sign
- "Electric Sandbox Chapter 5", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, July 2023, Audio & Visual Experience
- "The Wundercube" Interfuse Burn, Shrine Camp, Laquey, MO, May 2023, fully immersive audio+visual cube installation
- "Expanded Reality", Blaze Pizza, Wichita, Kansas, May 2023, projection mapped building
- "Astoria Sessions", Astoria Creative Community Venue, Minneapolis, KS, January 2023, Audio & Visual Experience
- "Electric Sandbox Chapter 4", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, October 2022, Audio & Visual Experience
- "Journey Into The Mind", Wichita, KS, July 2022, projection mapped barn
- "Electric Sandbox Chapter 3", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, June 2022, Audio & Visual Experience
- "JADA Art Fair Art Basel", Miami, Florida, December 2-5, 2021, projection mapped 60' wall with 36 di's
- "Electric Sandbox Chapter 2", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, August 2021, Audio & Visual Experience
- "Electric Sandbox Chapter 1", Artist's Home, Wichita, KS, May 2021, Audio & Visual Experience
- "Electric Dream", Enigma Club & Lounge, Wichita, KS, December 2020, Audio & Visual Experience
- "Electric Dream", Enigma Club & Lounge, Wichita, KS, October 2020, Audio & Visual Experience
- "The Wundercube", Gallery MC, New York City, NY, November 2019, fully immersive audio+visual cube installation
- "The Wundercube", Superfine! Art Fair, Washington, D.C., October-November 2019, fully immersive audio+visual cube installation
- "The Opulent Keeper of Kaleidoscopic Design "ICT Pop-Up Park, Wichita, KS

# LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS

- "Zoobilee 2021", Sedgwick County Zoo, Wichita, KS, September 2021
- "6th Annual Art on a Postcard Secret Auction" WeWork, London, United Kingdom, Nov 13-15, 2019
- "Zoobilee 2018", Sedgwick County Zoo, Wichita, KS, September 2018
- "More or Less" Silent Auction and Exhibition to Benefit the WASAC, Vertigo 232, Wichita, KS, February 2018
- "Zoobilee 2017", Sedgwick County Zoo, Wichita, KS, September 2017

KETCH's Palette to Palate Art Auction 2017

- "Beneath The Surface" Silent Auction and Exhibition to Benefit the WASAC, Vertigo 232, Wichita, KS, February 2017
- "Beneath the Surface" at Vertigo 232, Wichita, KS, February 2017

CityArts, Wichita, KS, November 2016

Art for Arthritis Silent Auction, Wichita, KS, September 2016

Mark Arts, Wichita, KS, August 2016

Ketch's Palette to Palate Art Auction 2016, Wichita, KS

Mark Arts: Versus A Live Art Battle, Wichita, KS, 2016

Channel Island Studios' "Collector's Choice" National Exhibition, Camarillo, CA, March 2016

2nd Annual Phi Delta Theta Clark Jackson Memorial Benefit, Wichita, KS, February 2016

White Wall Gallery's "Artists For Recovery" Auction, San Francisco, CA, February 2016

#### LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS continued

Wichita Center for the Arts Rodeo Drive: Baubles Boutique 2016, Wichita, KS Ketch's Palette to Palate Art Auction 2015, Wichita, KS Jason Carlsons' Team in Training Fundraiser for Leukemia 2015, Wichita, KS Delta Delta Delta's Delta Market 2015, Wichita, KS

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

"Placrylic Art Fair", Middlethorpe Hall, York, England, November 16, 2022, Group Exhibition

"The Museum of Sensory & Movement Experiences", Santa Barbara, California, July 2021-Present, Art Museum Loan

"Gallery Pure", Skypony Gallery, Plano, Texas, December 2020-Present, Group Art Exhibition

"SOCIAL DISTANCING: A Digi-Romantic Response to the Current 2020 Global Quarantine", JADA Art, March 2020

"Stardust and Satisfaction", Glenn Dallas Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA, July-September 2019

"People, Places and Things", Augusta Arts Centre, Augusta, KS, July-September 2019

"Amalgamation: The Collaborative Exhibition of Aaron Patton and Sean C Ward" 520 S. Commerce, Wichita, KS, August 2018

"Zip! Pop! Bang! Run, It's The Cops!" HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Wichita, KS, June 2018

"Open Studio" ChaNorth, Pine Plains, NY, May 27, 2018

"Duo Exhibition", HUE Gallery of Contemporary Art, Wichita, KS, October 2017

"Black White and Everything In Between", Vertigo 232, Wichita, KS, October 2017

"Duo Exhibition", R.G. Endres Gallery, Prairie Village, KS, May 2017

CityArt's "Gifts in the Gallery", Wichita, KS, December 2016

Re:Artiste's "Show Your World", New York City, NY, November 2016

The Lakeside Club, Wichita, KS, March-May 2016

Channel Island Studios' "DYNAMIC" National Exhibition, Camarillo, CA, March 2016

Sync Gallery's "EQUINOX" National Exhibition, Denver, CO, February 2016

Idaho State University's "Undergraduate Art Exhibition", Pocatello, ID, February 2016

Art on 30th "Just Sayin", San Diego, CA, October 2015

Overland Park Arts' "Human Experience - Abstracts" Exhibition, Overland Park, KS, July 2015

Orange County Creatives' "Faces" Exhibition, Laguna Beach, CA, May 2015

A/NT Gallery's "Mixed (e)Motions" Exhibition, Seattle, WA, July 2014

Midwest Center of Photography's "Photography Final Exhibition", April-May 2014

Kansas City Artists Coalition's "Midwest Undergraduate Exhibition", April 2014

Tonantzin Society's "The Dia De Los Muertos" Topeka 2013

Waterwalk KEYN Festival, June-July 2013, Wichita, KS

Botanica Gardens: Compositions, July 2013, Wichita, KS

Wichita State University McKnight Art Center's Project Runaway, Wichita, KS April 2013

Kansas Masonic Home, Wichita, KS April 2013

Century II Concert Hall, Wichita, KS January-February 2013

# AWARDS, ACCOLADES & NOTABLE ARTIST TALKS

"Op Art: Discussion with Laurence Gartel and Sean Ward", Boynton Beach Kinetic Biennial, Boynton Beach, FL, Jan 28, 2023

"Art at the End of the Tunnel: Tactics During COVID-19", Superfine!, New York, NY, April 5, 2021 Masterclass

"Juried Regional Exhibition", CityArts, Wichita, KS, October-December 2019, Group Show, Won 3rd Place

"People, Places and Things", Augusta Arts Centre, Augusta, KS, July-September 2019, Honorable Mention Award

"NostalgiaPOP" Wandering Masters Art Salon, St. Petersburg, FL, March 2019, Curator

"The Gallery in 2018" Superfine! Art Basel, New York, NY, May 2018, Discussion Panel

"Superfine! Miami Collectors' Panel" Superfine! Art Basel, Miami, FL, December 2017, Discussion Panel

KETCH's Palette to Palate 2017 Flavor of New Orleans, February 2017, Curator

Contemporary Fine Arts International, Denver, CO, August 2015, Juror

Wichita Eagle, Wichita Downtown Development Corporation & The Knight Foundation, Wichita, KS, June 2015,

Commissioned to paint contemporary-styled replica of Black Bear Bosin's "Keeper of the Plains"

Wichita State University, Wichita, KS, May 2015, Received Esther & Clayton Staples Scholarship

A/NT Gallery's "Mixed (e)Motions" Exhibition, Seattle, WA, July 2014, Won Honorable Mention

Wichita State University: Project Runaway, Wichita, KS , April 2013, Won "Runner Up" in Dark Matter Category

# **EDITORIALS & FEATURES**

"Poetry in Motion on display at Boynton Beach's International Kinetic Biennial", Palm Beach Post, January 29, 2023

"Moving Art Exhibit in Boynton Beach", Sun Sentinel, January 25, 2023

"Children & Young People" Roots, London, United Kingdom, Issue 109, September-October 2020

"A Digi-Romantic Response to the Current 2020 Global Quarantine" JADA, Tampa, Florida, Art Catalog, April 2020

"Do You Know You Are an Artist? Or Do You Decide to Become One?" ArtworkArchive, Denver, Colorado, Online Editorial, https://www.artworkarchive.com/blog/do-you-know-you-are-an-artist-or-do-you-decide-to-be-one

The Other Art Fair, Los Angeles, California, September 2019, Featured Artist on Guest Maps

The Other Art Fair, Dallas, Texas, September 2019, Featured Artist on Guest Maps

"A changing landscape: Wichita artisans adapt to the shifting industry in the digital age", Wichita, Kansas, July 21, 2019, https://www.kansas.com/entertainment/article232510977.html#storylink=cpy

Kooness, "Visual Snapshots of Mankind on Kooness," Milan, Italy, March 5, 2019

Singulart, "A Day with Sean Ward," Paris, France, Feb 15, 2019

The Hutchinson News, "A Sense of Place," Hutchinson, KS, Feb 1, 2019

Dr. Lisa Gives A Sh\*t, Radio Interview, Brooklyn, New York, Dec 24, 2018

Miami Voyager, "#MiamiCreatives: the local artists who inspire us" December 2018

White Hot Magazine, "Superfine!: Washington D.C.", November 2018

Boston Voyager, "Check out Sean Ward's Artwork" Sept 10. 2018

ArtResin, "Art Basel Miami: Artist Spotlight" March 2, 2018

"Commerce Street in Photos," The Chung Report, Wichita, Kansas, March 15, 2017

Vango App, Numerous pieces featured in multiple home page collections, 2016-2017

Wichita Eagle, "Lights, DJ, art combine for one-night-only Final Friday show", Wichita, Kansas, January 27, 2017

Vango App, Splash page feature, July 2016 + E-mail Blast, "Artists Making Some Noise"

"Chairish" Curated collection by Saatchi Art, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Chairish" collection, July 2016

"ICT Pop-Up Urban Park," Wichita By E.B., Wichita, Kansas, http://www.wichitabyeb.com/2016/06/ict-pop-up-urban-park.html

"ICT Pop-Up Urban Park," Weigand Realty, Wichita, Kansas, http://www.weigand.com/blog/2016/04/ict-pop-up-urban-park/

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Original Art Under \$1500" 2016 Collection, February 2016

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Chinese New Year" 2016 Collection, February 2016

Crated, Ontario, Canada, Featured on "Home Page" and "Spotlight of Artists" of Website, January 2016

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Original Artwork for \$1000 and Under" January 2016

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Power Pop" 2016 Collection, January 2016

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "New Portraits and Abstracts" Jan 2016

Saatchi Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, Featured in Saatchi Art's "Pop Gifts" Collection, November 2015

"Lennon" Feature, The Polychrome Attic, Online feature, October 21, 2015

"Where Art Lives" Magazine, "Sean Christopher Ward", Denver, CO, Volume 1, Number 6 Issue

"Where Art Lives" Magazine, "HUE Gallery: Contemporary Art Gallery That Explores the Nation's Work", Denver, CO, Volume 1, Number 4

Splurge Magazine, "Contemporary Street", Wichita, KS, May 2015

Liberty Press, "New Gallery on Commerce Street Shows Diverse Work", Wichita, KS, January 2015

Wichita Eagle, "HUE Gallery Aims to Fill Void in Wichita's Art Scene", Wichita, KS, January 2, 2015

Theculturetrip.com, "Wichita's 10 Contemporary Art Galleries You Should Visit", October 2013

## **TELEVISION APPEARANCES**

WETA Arts: November 2019, Season 6, Episode 6, Appearance on "Superfine! DC Segment of Episode" KPTS Positively Wichita: Wichita NOW!, Appearance of "The Opulent Keeper of Kaleidoscopic Design" The Chung Report: Entrepreneurship Challenge, Appearance of "The Opulent Keeper of Kaleidoscopic Design", July 2016

<sup>&</sup>quot;Raves & Resistance" The London Reader, Spring 2021

# **Notable Private Collections**

Vice President of Universal Japan, Osaka, Japan

Elton John, Musician

Bob Dylan, Musician

The Pixies, Band

Inessa Anderson, Planetary Holdings, Angel Investor for SpaceX

Karen Sijbrandij, Gitlab

Milan Kordestani, CEO and co-founder of Guin Records/Dormzi

Aaron Lux, New York Times Best-Selling Poet

Center for Women's Wellness, Wichita, KS

## GEOGRAPHIC DEMOGRAPHIC OF PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

\*930 works in collections worldwide

>400 Private Collectors, Wichita, KS

>45 Private Collectors, Los Angeles, CA

>40 Private Collectors, Washington, D.C

>40 Private Collectors, San Francisco, CA

>30 Private Collectors, Dallas, TX

>25 Private Collectors, United Kingdom

>20 Private Collectors, Kansas City, MO

>15 Private Collectors, New York, NY

>10 Private Collectors, Miami, FL

>10 Private Collectors, Austin, TX

>5 Private Collectors, Chicago, IL

>5 Private Collectors, Clearwater, FL

>5 Private Collectors, Denver, CO

>5 Private Collectors, Germany

>5 Private Collectors, France

Numerous Private Collectors, San Juan, Puerto Rico

Numerous Private Collectors, Little Rock, AR

Numerous Private Collectors, Las Vegas, NV

Numerous Private Collectors, Seattle, WA

Numerous Private Collectors, Atlanta, GA

Private Collector, Marrakech, Morocco

Private Collector, Bangalore, India

Private Collector, Qatar

Private Collector, Roseto Degli Abruzzi, Italy

Private Collector, Fredericksted, Virgin Islands

Private Collector, Sarasota Springs, Florida

Private Collector, Rye, NY

Private Collector, San Diego, CA

Private Collector, Naperville, IL

Private Collector, Minneapolis, MN

Private Collector, Media, PA

Private Collector, Sedona, AZ

Private Collector, Houston, TX

Private Collector, Fort Worth, TX

Private Collector, Frisco, TX

Private Collector, Hartford, CT

Private Collector, Columbia Station, OH